Prezi Script

Shells/Mortars:

Shell was a term used for mortars and artillery. A mortar is a short, stumpy tube that shot shells of ammo at an angle higher than 45 degrees, so that it would come straight down and explode on the enemy. A mortar was sometimes used instead of artillery because it was lighter and safer for the soldiers using it. Different countries had different types of mortars.

Bombs:

Bomb is just a general term for a weapon that would explode and do serious damage. Bombs were used in all types of combat, air: planes would drop bombs, land: soldiers carried grenades, also artillery and mortars were used. Soldiers would also plant land mines in the ground to blow up enemy soldiers. They were also used in sea combat; the naval ships used torpedoes and bombs to sink enemy ships and sub-marines.

Parachute “Star Shell”

The main uses for this type of shell was to light up the battlefield when it was dark, it was also used to signal different things to others. So what the shell did was shoot high into the air and light a magnesium flare that would burn as the shell slowly floated to the ground due to a parachute attached. This caused a wide part of the battlefield to be bright and visible. All soldiers in no-man’s land during these would drop to the ground to try and avoid detection and artillery fire.